

## Proposed bus route changes for fall 2012

### Route 3 – Add trips, revise north part | Route 4 – Replace

#### Proposal

- **Extend the north part of Route 3** ([current map](#)) to Seattle Pacific University via Third Avenue W.
- **Add more trips on Route 3** ([current schedule](#)) to increase service frequency to at least every 15 minutes during most hours of the day.
- **Replace Route 4** ([current map](#)) with alternative service on a more-frequent Route 3.

#### Same as November 2011 suggestion

#### Reason(s) based on Metro's Service Guidelines

- **Make transfers easier.** Improve the frequency of connections between W Nickerson Street and Queen Anne Hill. At Seattle Pacific University, connect with Route 31 ([current map](#)) and new Route 32, which serve Interbay, Fremont, Wallingford, the University District, and the University of Washington.
- **Create network connections.** Provide all-day connections between Queen Anne Hill and Seattle Pacific University.
- **Reduce duplication.** These changes would complement an increase in frequency on Route 13 ([current map](#)), consolidating service into fewer routes with more-frequent service and reduced wait times for riders. Consolidating service on routes 3 and 4 will also reduce duplication with service on routes [8](#) and [48](#) (links go to current maps) between downtown Seattle and Judkins Park.
- **Create direct routes.** Eliminating the existing North Queen Anne and East Queen Anne loops would make service more direct and help keep it on schedule.
- **Ridership does not justify the cost of service.** Ridership in Nob Hill does not meet Metro's guideline for continued service.
- **Performance.** Metro's service guidelines call for us to examine and consider changes for routes that score in the bottom 25 percent in one or both of the measures Metro uses to rate performance – rides per platform hour and passenger miles per platform mile.

At night, the performance of routes 3 and 4 is in the bottom 25 percent of routes serving downtown Seattle on the measure of passenger miles per bus mile. Metro is proposing to consolidate these routes to improve individual route performance and performance of the transit network as a whole.

### Alternative service

- **W Raye Street:** Take revised Route 1 from W McGraw Street and Queen Anne Avenue N. Alternatively, on Third Avenue W or W McGraw Street, take revised Route 3 (north part) or Route 13. The distance from current to new stops would be less than one-third of a mile.
- **Nob Hill:** On Queen Anne Avenue N or Taylor Avenue N, take revised Route 3 (north part) or revised Route 13. The distance from current to new stops would be less than three-tenths of a mile.
- **Judkins area:** Take Route 8 ([current map](#)) or Route 48 ([current map](#)) to travel north-south. Connect with revised Route 3 (south part), Route 7 ([current map](#)), revised Route 14 (south part), or revised Route 27 to and from downtown Seattle.

### Service frequency

Route	Estimated minutes between buses				
	Weekday			Saturday	Sunday
	Peak	Off-Peak	Night		
<b>1</b>	15	30	30-60	30	30
<b>3 (north part)</b>	10-15	15	15-30	15	15
<b>3 (south part)</b>	5-8	8	15-30	15	15
<b>7</b>	10-15	10	15-30	12	15
<b>8</b>	15	15	30	15	30
<b>13</b>	10-15	15	15-30	15	15
<b>14 (south part)</b>	15	30	30-60	30	30
<b>27</b>	30	30	60	60	60
<b>48</b>	8-15	15	15-30	15	30

# Route 3 "north part"

